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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

## ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2734

## **Introduced by Assembly Member Strickland**

February 20, 2004

An act to repeal amend Section 1007 of the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Act (Chapter 1023 of the Statutes of 1982), relating to the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2734, as amended, Strickland. Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency.

Existing law, the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Act, creates the Fox Canyon Groundwater Management Agency and authorizes the agency to perform groundwater management activities within its boundaries. The act authorizes the agency to impose a groundwater extraction charge, not to exceed \$3 per acre-foot pumped per year, on the extraction of groundwater from water extraction facilities to finance those groundwater management activities undertaken by the agency.

This bill would delete change that \$3 per acre-foot cap to \$6 per acre-foot.

The bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

**AB 2734 —2—** 

Vote: <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 1007 of the Fox Canyon Groundwater
- Management Agency Act (Chapter 1023 of the Statutes of 1982) 3 is repealed.
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- 5 Management Agency Act (Chapter 1023 of the Statutes of 1982)
- is amended to read:
- Sec. 1007. The groundwater extraction charge shall not
- exceed three dollars (\$3) six dollars (\$6) per acre-foot pumped per 8
- 9 year.
- SEC. 2. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the 10
- immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety 11 within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go 12
- into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are: 13
- In order to generate necessary funding, as soon as possible, for 14
- 15 the management of groundwater in accordance with the Fox
- Canyon Groundwater Management Agency Act, it is necessary 16
- that this act take effect immediately.